

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the paragraph [0014] as follows:

[0014] As described above, it is known to polish and buff an aluminum wheel surface prior to chrome ~~plating~~ plating. However, such processes require abrasives and solvents. The polishing and buffing can create slight waves or subtle uniform variations in the polished surface due to harmonic oscillations of the power equipment used and differing amounts of work pressure exerted on the surface due to different elevations of the geometric designs of the wheel surface. When polishing and buffing is done by hand, the variations are more random due to fatigue of the human muscles and the inability to make exact dimensional repeated motions. Thus, conventional polishing and buffing methods are known to produce a slightly distorted reflection that is similar to looking through an antique glass pane that has experienced some flow of its molecular structure. Such flow can cause a certain amount of refraction or deflection of the light rays passing through the glass. Therefore, it would be desirable to provide a process for smoothing a wheel surface that does not require conventional polishing and buffing.